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**THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP:** Today's gospel sums up the cost of discipleship. What does it cost a person to be deeply Christian? We have to be willing to leave all family ties, face self-denial, and be willing to give up all our material possessions. Giving up all our possessions is a favorite theme in Luke's gospel.

**DISCIPLESHIP** is an important decision. It might cost us everything else! Jesus wants it to be an informed, considered decision---personal choice.



Discipleship continued....

BUT WHERE ARE WE TODAY? Most of us have already made the choice, more or less. We've already been baptized and come together in Church today to celebrate the Eucharist. WE'RE ALREADY DISCIPLES, AND WE HAVE BECOME COMFORTABLE IN THE ROLE.

HOWEVER, THE MOST COMFORTABLE PEOPLE IN THE PEWS SQUIRM WHEN WE HEAR THIS GOSPEL. Since discipleship is an ongoing commitment, what seems certain today can shift tomorrow. What is easy today may be difficult tomorrow. CHRIST COMES FIRST, so everything else is transitory, provisional.

Personally, I feel AS SNUG AS A BUG IN A RUG! It doesn't look as if I have to give up my family or my garden or my personal computer that I dearly love. Nevertheless, I am forced to consider what would be like to give up all family, give up a good night's sleep (over and over again) and to give up all my things. WOULD I PAY THE PRICE?

The gosepl calls us to consider these things as the cost of discipleship. We must be prepared to pay. Discipleship also means living in radical solidarity with people who have nothing to lose in the first place. So we consider the costs and consider what's left: GOD!

Hear the words in today's psalm: "In the morning, fill us with your love: we shall exult and rejoice all our days."

...Robert Morris, NOVALIS



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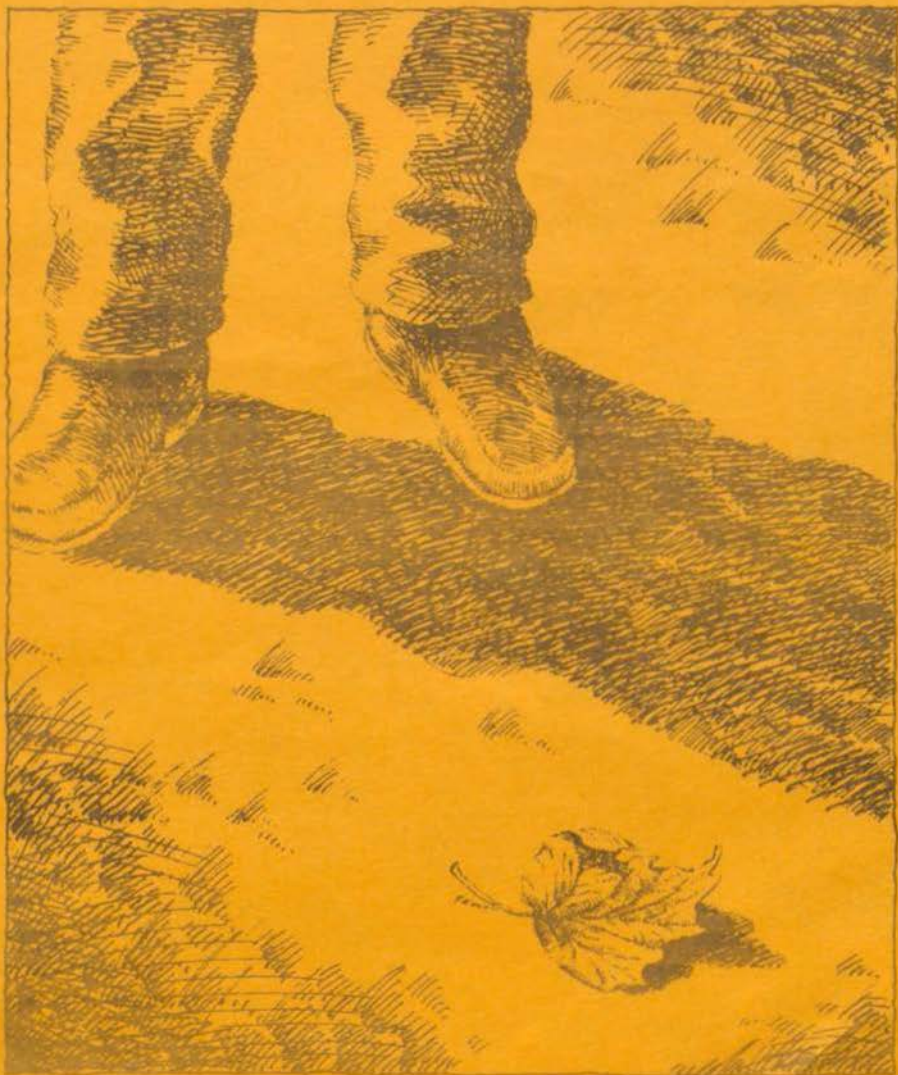
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PRAYER PIX---What is your reflection on  
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Want to become Catholic? Want to be Confirmed? Want to be a sponsor?  
Sunday, September 28, Library Lounge: 7:00 PM DETAILS OF BECOMING  
A RCIA SPONSOR 8:00 PM CATECHUMENATE PROCESS AND FULL COMMUNION  
EXPLAINED 9:00 PM CONFIRMATION PROGRAM EXPLAINED.

All are welcome. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Pat  
McCabe, C.S.C. at 239-5242, Catechumenate Coordinator.

Want to be a Eucharistic Minister?

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER WORKSHOP: Sacred Heart Church:

Sunday September 21 2:00 P.M. or Tuesday September 23 10:00 P.M.

Are You a returning minister of the Eucharist?

Evening of Reflection for Returning Eucharistic Ministers

Thursday September 25 Sacred Heart Church 7:30 P.M.

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